TUHSD School Safety

Data

TUHSD students report a high sense of school safety at our schools. California Healthy Kids Data for 2022 indicates that approximately 80% of responding students perceive school to be safe.

Presentation Agenda

- 1. Community Safety/Threat Reporting Form
- 2. Threat Assessment Procedures
- 3. Intruder/Lockdown Procedures
- 4. Emergency Communication
- 5. Other Safety Practices

What is a threat?

A threat is a communication of intent to harm someone that may be spoken, written, gestured, or expressed in some other form, such as via text messaging, email, or other digital means. An expression of intent to harm someone is considered a threat regardless of whether it is communicated to the intended target(s) and regardless of whether the intended target is aware of the threat.

Threats may be implied by behavior that an observer would reasonably regard as threatening, planning, or preparing to commit a violent act. When in doubt, treat the communication or behavior as a threat and conduct a threat assessment. Threats that are not easily recognized as harmless (e.g., an obvious joke that worries no one) should be reported to the school administrator or other team members. The administrator or another team member makes a preliminary determination of the seriousness of the threat.

Community Threat/Safety Concern Reporting Form

- Students, staff, families, and community members are encouraged to report any safety concern they may have to TUHSD.
- All concerns are taken seriously and are assessed by a member of the school's administrative team.
- Starting on Aug. 15th, our community will be able to report safety concerns via a google form posted on each school's website and our district's website.

Threat Assessment

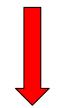
- Every safety concern is reviewed and considered using the up to date threat assessment guidelines.
- TUHSD has a uniform Threat Assessment Procedure modeled after the University of Virginia's Comprehensive School Threat Assessment Guidelines and members of each school's team are trained on these procedures.
- We are also participating in additional staff training focused on threat assessment with MCOE and Readiness & Emergency Management for Schools to stay up to date.

Threat Assessment Process

- Each threat/safety concern is investigated and assessed to determine if it is legitimate or harmless.
- Any threat that is reported as imminent (containing a date, time, and/or location) is immediately elevated to local police and lockdown or shelter-in-place procedures are immediately implemented at the school.

Threat Assessment Process

Threat is imminent.



Immediately Report to Police and Implement Lockdown or Shelter-In-Place procedures Threat is not clearly imminent and needs to be investigated.

Investigating Safety Concern/ Threats Involving Students involves:

- Speaking with the reporting party to learn more about their concerns.
- Interviewing the student(s) of concern to investigate the concerns that have been reported, stop the behavior of concern, and provide any needed supports.
- Discussions with the parents/caregivers
- When weapons are of concern- we request a confirmation that weapons are secured be conducted by Police via a home visit.

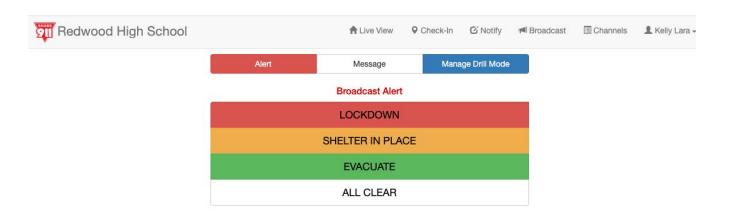
Safety Concerns/Threats Involving a non-student are investigated by the local Police Department.

Emergency Procedures

Shelter-In-Place	Lockdown
Utilized when a safety concern occurs off campus in the local community but it is safe for learning to continue. Examples include: gas leak in the neighborhood, police activity at a local bank, etc.	Utilized when there is a safety concern present on campus that makes it unsafe for learning to continue.
Students typically remain in the classroom they were in when the safety concern occurred and learning continues. Students transition to their next class period when the safety concern is resolved.	Students report to the closest room and the room is locked by staff member. Students and staff do not unlock the door until a Police Officer or Administrator declares campus to be safe.
	Law Enforcement immediately reports to campus and eliminates the threat.
All staff, students, and parents are made aware of the safety concern and the shelter-in-place status.	All staff, students, and parents are made aware of the lockdown and communication is provided.
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Emergency Crisis Communication: Share 911

This year, we'll be adopting Share 911. Share 911 is a crisis communication system that will allow any employee to report an emergency to all employees at a site. Emergencies can be reported via cellular device, laptop computer, or desktop computer.



Law Enforcement Partnerships

- TUHSD has a relationship with Central Marin Police Authority, Mill Valley Police Department, and Marin County Sheriff Department.
- Both Mill Valley PD and Central Marin Police Authority have assigned School Resource Officers (SRO) to support TUHSD schools.
 - School Resource Officers are not stationed on our school campuses as they serve all schools throughout the community. They do regularly visit our schools and are consistently responsive to our calls for support.
 - School Resource Officers are regularly trained on best practices for working with youth and in mental health crisis response.
 - School Resource Officers are employees of their respective Police Departments and not TUHSD.

Safety & Facilities

- All building/classroom doors and public address systems are working properly and in any instance when they're in need of repair, our Facilities Team prioritizes them and fixes them immediately.
- Additionally, we are confirming that all staff can hear the public address system from their classroom/workstation and that they can lock their door before school begins. Any issues that may be reported will be addressed immediately.

Guests and Visitors on Campus

- We collectively hold a deep value that our school sites are community schools.
- We request that guests who utilize our athletic fields, tracks, pools, and walking paths do not enter classrooms, hallways, or buildings during school hours.
- Parents/Caregiver/Guests who need to come to campus and must enter buildings/classrooms to see a staff member, attend a meeting, or conduct school-related business:
 - Please always sign-in at the main office.
 - Please always wear a visitor pass.

Questions